



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

## Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge

### *2013 Amateur Photo Contest*

Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge and the Friends of Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge are sponsoring their Tenth Annual Amateur Photo Contest. Photos must be taken on the Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge, Saginaw, Michigan, between September 1, 2012 and August 31, 2013. **Added in 2012:** Photographers may enter only two (2) photos total. The categories are as follow:

**Wildlife** – mammals, birds, fish, insects, reptiles, etc.

**Habitat** – depicts refuge habitat including plants, water, shelter, etc. or a refuge landscape scene. Wildlife can be included.

**People** – shows a person or persons engaged in a refuge activity or included in a scene on the refuge.

**Young Nature Photographer** – a special category just for young photographers aged 14-years-old and younger.

The photos will be displayed **Open House Weekend September 20-22, 2013**, at Green Point Environmental Learning Center (3010 Maple Street, Saginaw, MI). Visitors will select their favorite photos in each category. All winners and participants will receive certificates Official contest rules are as follow:

1. Photographers must be non-professional. All entries must be taken in public areas or during events at Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge or Green Point Environmental Learning Center between September 1, 2012 and August 31, 2013.
2. All photographs should be 5" x 7" or 8" x 10". Black and white or color photos are acceptable. No matted photos, please!
3. Mail or deliver all entries to Shiawassee National Wildlife Refuge Photo Contest, 6975 Mower Road, Saginaw, Michigan 48601. On the back of the photo, include your name, address, phone number, email address, category entered, the title of the photo, and the date and location of where it was taken. If entering "Young Nature Photographer" category, please include your age.
4. All entries must be received by September 1, 2013.
5. Photographs may be used for refuge publications, web pages, presentations, and displays. Photographers may either donate their original photos to the refuge or make arrangements to have the photos returned, i.e. provide a postage paid envelope or pick up photos from the refuge following the announcement of the winners in October.
6. While extreme care will be taken in handling all entries, the refuge cannot be responsible for any damage to photographs.

Winners will be announced in October, 2013. For further information, please call (989) 759-1669.